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## (54) OPTICAL RECORDING MEDIUM

(57) Abstract:

PROBLEM TO BE SOLVED: To provide a coloring matter, which can be used in an optical recording medium especially suitable for a record reproduction with a short wavelength semiconductor laser. SOLUTION: This optical recording medium is formed by providing a recording layer on which information can be recorded or reproduced with laser or a substrate and which includes a carbostyrile compound represented with general formula [I] or a 1,8-naphthylzine, wherein X represents a nitrogen atom or C-R6, R1, R2, R3, R4, R5, R6, R7 and R8 respectively and independently represent hydrogen atoms or arbitrary substituent. Two adjacent to each other among R1 to R8 may form a ring by bonding to each other.

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